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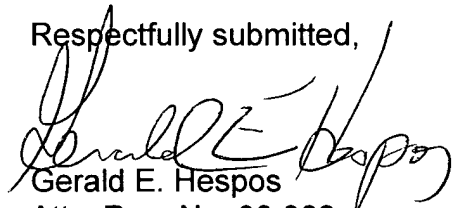
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Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement includes copies of Form PTO-1449 that identify several references. These references were made of record during the prosecution of the parent application and relate generally to needle assemblies or catheters with shielding units. The Examiner is requested to consider these reference during the examination and to make the references of record.

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